## 2002 Wholesale Gallonage Tax Rate Change

Alcoholic Beverage taxes notice

Effective July 15, 2002, by Chapter 856 of the Public Acts of 2002, the alcoholic beverage wholesale gallonage tax rate, as established in Tenn. Code Ann. Section 57-3-302, of \$4 on each gallon of spirits and \$1.10 for each gallon of wine, is increased by 10%. The new tax rates will be \$4.40 on each gallon of spirits and \$1.21 on each gallon of wine. Persons filing wholesale gallonage tax returns will remit payment at the new rate with the period beginning July 15, 2002. The first return reflecting the new tax rate will be due on August 15, 2002.

This increased tax rate is due from each wholesaler upon the sale of distilled spirits and wine made **on or after July 15, 2002**. This rate will also be due and payable from distillers or manufacturers on any amount of its own product as may be required for its own use, **on or after July 15, 2002**, as permitted in Tenn. Code Ann. Section 57-3-303(a).

When you receive your July tax return, you will find the tax rate effective as of July 1 printed on the return. However, you will need to maintain records to verify how much tax is due under both the old rate and the new rate effective on July 15, 2002. Because there are two tax rates in effect during July 2002, separate calculations for each rate must be made in order to compute the correct tax liability. Adequate supporting documentation must be maintained to prove the entries on the return.

Have questions or comments? Please let us know. Contact us.

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